



QSP



December 2013

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The December Meeting
is
Wednesday December
18th at Coyote Canyon

December VE Report

6:30 PM

For the **December 11th** session, we had 3 Candidates. Randall Unruh, KDØUKN, of Galva, upgraded to Extra Class, Ronald David, KDØTGM, of Salina, Upgraded to General, and Andrew Bedrous, KDØ??? (not released yet), of Salina passed his Technician. Ron also attempted the Extra Exam, and Andrew attempted the General Exam.

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This issue of QSP released prior to the FCC's actions on the above individuals.

VE's in attendance were: Sid, NØOBM, Paul, KS1P, Rom, WAØPSF, Don, KAØEIC, and Leon, WAØJFC.

The next scheduled session is **Wednesday January 8th, at 7:00 PM**, at the Saline County Sheriff's Office Classroom. CKARC Board meeting to follow.

Sid NØOBM VE Team Leader

Minutes of the November Meeting

Eric, NØYET, opened the meeting at 7:35 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by introductions. There were 10 members present.

Reports:

No Presidents report – Alvin, WØME was absent.

Sid, NØOBM, gave the following:

Hannah from Emergency Management changed to using her maiden name. There are almost 60 applicants thus far for the assistant director position.

December 2nd is the siren net, weather permitting. December 11th is the next test session. December 18th is the CKARC annual Christmas Celebration / dinner at Coyote Canyon starting at 6:30 pm. Please tell the hostess you are with the radio club and they will seat you in the back room.

Treasurers Report:

Checking balance - \$ 1681.67

Savings Balance - \$ 1295.87

All bills have been paid including liability Insurance for 2014.

New business:

Eric brought up that the CKARC Board Of Directors recommend the following actions effective starting in 2014:

Due to a lack of interest and declining membership the club will meet once every three months. VE testing will continue once per month as scheduled. The Board meetings will also go to once every three months.

In addition there will be NO FIELD DAY this year. We have had nobody step forward to plan this and it was decided that the same people do it every year and with very limited attendance so the CKARC will not be sponsoring a Field Day this year.

Paul, KS1P, brought up the topic of the HamFest. Will we have one this year. There is a need for a coordinator this year as Ron Tremble, WAØPSF has stepped down after more than ten successful years as HamFest chairman. Tom BlackShire, NØMOK, possibly volunteered for this position. We will have more information about this and more discussion at the January club meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Reminders

City of Salina Siren Test Net, **January 6th** at 4:30 PM if the Weather cooperates! Otherwise January 13th.

ARRL-VEC Test Session on Wednesday **January 8th** at 7:00 PM.

Board meeting follows the exam session on **January 8th** after Testing in the Saline Co. Sheriff's Office Classroom.

CKARC January Meeting January 31st at 7:30 PM, Kansas Wesleyan's Peters Science Hall Room 211

Contest University 2014 to Include Sessions at ARRL National Centennial Convention

12/10/2013

Contest University Chairman Tim Duffy, K3LR, is predicting a great year in 2014 for Contest University (**CTU**). For the first year, CTU will hold two different all-day sessions, with no overlap or repeats between them. Each CTU event will feature unique and updated presentations.

The first US CTU will be the Dayton Contest University on Thursday, May 15, 2014, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Dayton — the day before Dayton Hamvention®. The Dayton session will offer four classrooms presenting more than 20 all-new presentations by top contesters and station builders. CTU Dayton registration will open soon, and space is limited. The CTU website has more information.

In July, the ARRL National **Centennial Convention** will host the second US CTU. It will take place at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford, Connecticut, on July 17, 2014. The ARRL Centennial Convention CTU will be an all-day event with six, all-new CTU presentations (no duplication from Dayton) in one classroom.

The ARRL is handling registrations for the Centennial CTU. Registration for the ARRL National Centennial Convention and the Convention CTU begins in January

New Technician Class Question Pool Released

12/12/2013

The ARRL VEC has announced that the **NCVEC** Question Pool Committee has released the new 2014-2018 Technician Class, Element 2, **question pool** to the public. This pool will take effect on **July 1, 2014**, and will remain valid until **June 30, 2018**. The **current Technician question pool**, released in 2010, is valid until **June 30, 2014**. — *Maria Somma, AB1FM, ARRL/VEC Manager*

From the ARRL Web Site

K9W Wake Atoll Commemorative DXpedition Tops 100,000 Contacts

12/12/2013

The **K9W** Wake Atoll DXpedition team reports that it logged slightly more than 100,000 contacts during its November DXpedition in the South Pacific.

"The Wake Atoll DXpedition team wants to thank the DX community for the outstanding response to 'The Forgotten 98' Commemorative DXpedition," Team Leader Lou Dietrich, N2TU, said on the DXpedition's behalf. "Also, we need to express our gratitude to our hosts on Wake, the United States Air Force."

Because of issues stemming from the partial federal government shutdown the DXpedition had to postpone its startup from October until November.

North American hams worked the lion's share of the contacts — just over 35 percent, with Asia and Europe not far behind at 32 percent and 27 percent, respectively. The rest of the world had a more difficult time putting K9W into the log. Contacts with Oceania accounted for slightly more than 3 percent of the total, with South America contacts comprising slightly less than 2 percent, and with Africa less than 1 percent.

"The Team is extremely pleased to have distributed the QSOs to much-needed parts of the world, especially EU, which has the most difficult path to Wake Island," Dietrich said. K9W logged 53,765 CW, 38,700 SSB, and 7,562 Digital contacts, and all have been uploaded to ClubLog, and the printed QSLs are in transit to QSL Manager AA4NN.

The K9W DXpedition was the recipient of a **Colvin Award** grant. Contacts will be uploaded to Logbook of The World (**LoTW**).

December 2013 Contest Calendar

From the WA7BNM Contest Calendar

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html>

QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 1
SARTG New Year RTTY Contest	0800Z-1100Z, Jan 1
AGCW Happy New Year Contest	0900Z-1200Z, Jan 1
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 3
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 3
WW PMC Contest	1200Z, Jan 4 to 1200Z, Jan 5
ARRL RTTY Roundup	1800Z, Jan 4 to 2400Z, Jan 5
EUCW 160m Contest	2000Z, Jan 4 to 0700Z, Jan 5
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 8
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 10
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 10
MI QRP January CW Contest	1200Z, Jan 11 to 2359Z, Jan 12
North American QSO Party, CW	1800Z, Jan 11 to 0600Z, Jan 12
NRAU-Baltic Contest, CW	0630Z-0830Z, Jan 12
DARC 10-Meter Contest	0900Z-1059Z, Jan 12
NRAU-Baltic Contest, SSB	0900Z-1100Z, Jan 12
Midwinter Contest	1000Z-1400Z, Jan 12
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 15
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 17
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 17
ARRL January VHF Contest	1900Z, Jan 17 to 0359Z, Jan 19
LZ Open Contest	0000Z-0400Z, Jan 18
Hungarian DX Contest	1200Z, Jan 18 to 1200Z, Jan 19
North American QSO Party, SSB	1800Z, Jan 18 to 0600Z, Jan 19
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 22
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 24
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 24
CQ 160-Meter Contest, CW	2200Z, Jan 24 to 2159Z, Jan 26
REF Contest, CW	0600Z, Jan 25 to 1800Z, Jan 26
BARTG RTTY Sprint	1200Z, Jan 25 to 1200Z, Jan 26
UBA DX Contest, SSB	1300Z, Jan 25 to 1300Z, Jan 26
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 29
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Jan 31
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Jan 31

Membership Renewal Form

CKARC, Inc.
P. O. Box 2493 Salina,
Kansas 67402-2493

Name: _____ Call: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ email: _____

Cell Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

ARRL Member No.: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Birthday: ___/___ (Month & Day ONLY)

Spouse Name: _____ Call: _____

ARRL Member No.: _____ Birthday: ___/___

May we publish your Phone & Email in the CKARC Rosters? Y N
Roster will **NOT** be published on the Web site (Please circle Y for Yes or N for No)

QSP is the CKARC Newsletter, As of January 1, 2013, there will be a \$6.00 per year Surcharge for QSP delivered via the US Postal Service.

Check here if you want the Postal Version Add \$6.00

While ARRL Membership is not a Requirement for membership in the CKARC, Inc. **it is highly recommended.** In order to retain "Special Service Club" status, we must remain a minimum of 51% ARRL Membership.

CKARC Dues : \$20.00/Year Family Member: \$5.00

ARRL Dues : \$39.00/Year

* For additional years, or Family Membership Information, please contact the Treasurer.

CKARC Membership Renewal Form Nov 2012

**OR, use the Fillable pdf file on the CKARC Website!
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CKARC January Birthdays

WBØWTM	Robert	Paul	1/6
KAØBBX	Darin	Gray	1/6
WAØJFC	Leon	Gray	1/8
F/Member	Phyllis	Shurts	1/12
KØRY	Harvey	Tewes	1/16
NØOBM	Sid	Ashen-Brenner	1/19
KDØVA	Stephen	Haly	1/19
KCØSMG	Robert	Sheehy, Jr.	1/26
WAØPSF	Ron	Tremblay	1/30